

Amendments to the Specification

At page 1 before paragraph [001] insert the following title;

Field of Invention

At page 1 before paragraph [003] insert the following title;

Background of the Invention

At page 1 before paragraph [005] insert the following title;

Summary of the Invention

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Description of the Drawing

At page 3 before paragraph [019], insert the following title;

Detailed Description of the Invention

On page 10, at paragraph [046];

[046] At the downstream end of the conveyor 201, there is provided according to the invention, a bottle raiser 301 [~~310~~], with a view to conducting transported bottles B which arrive bottom B2 first from a lying position, as indicated to the right in Figs. 10 and 11, to a vertical or standing position as shown clearly in Fig. 11. The bottle raiser comprises a curved guide duct or shaft 302 which provides a guide or slide for the bottle B and a shock absorbing rest 303. The guide duct 302 may be of different lengths and may be constructed to guide bottles across a [øf] distance of some meters, e.g., from one floor to a floor below, as indicated in Fig. 23. For this purpose the guide duct may have, e.g., an upright portion 302'. Uppermost the guide duct 302' may run into a curved portion 302'' for transferring the bottles in lying position to the guide duct 302'. Alternatively, as indicated by means of the reference numeral 302''', the bottle raiser may also conceivably be used for bottles which are discharged from a reverse vending